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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Applicants: Shaffer, et al.

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
UTILIZING DIRECT USER
SIGNALING TO ENHANCE
FAULT TOLERANT H.323
SYSTEMS

Group Art Unit: 2419

Examiner: Pezzlo

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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed November 18, 2008, the
Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the
claims based upon the remarks that follow:

The Claims begin on the following page.

Remarks begin on the page following the Claims